

comprises "at least one casino game of chance and a lottery game device that provides a lottery game". This lottery game device is described throughout the instant application. Applicants submit that Vancura does not teach or suggest the claimed features related to the lottery game device. The Examiner has recognized that Vancura does not disclose a lottery game device in a telephonic interview on February 5, 2003 regarding commonly owned, copending and related application serial no. 09/517,999. Therefore, applicants submit that independent claims 1 and 20 and the remaining claims of the instant application are patentable over Vancura and the other cited references.

It is submitted in view of these remarks that all grounds for rejection have been removed. Reconsideration and allowance of this application are therefore earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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